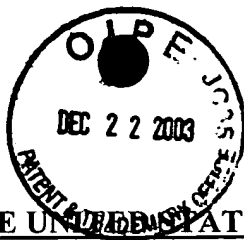


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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 24, 2003, Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1 – 10 and 44. Applicant respectfully cancels remaining claims 11 – 43 and 45 – 47 (Groups II, III, IV and V) without prejudice or disclaimer, and reserves the right to prosecute them in divisional applications at a later date.